GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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ACCIDENTS ON HIGHWAYS IN NIGHT
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of increasing number of accidents on National Highways in the night;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the remedial measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(MAJOR GENERAL (RETD.) B.C KHANDURI)

(a) & (b): This Ministry does not compile data in respect of road accidents on National Highways separately for day and night.

(c) : Some of the important measures being taken besides highway design to reduce the road accidents on all roads are as under:

(1) Provision of refresher training to drivers of heavy motor vehicles.

(2) Publicity campaign on road safety awareness through audio-visual-print media.

(3) Grants-in-aid to voluntary organizations for administering road safety programmes.

(4) Encouraging use of simulators in driver`s training.

(5) Institution of National Award for voluntary organizations/individuals for outstanding work in the field of road safety.

(6) Organising All India Essay Competition on road safety for school children with a view to create awareness.

(7) Tightening of fitness norms for transport vehicles.

(8) Widening /improvement of roads. etc.